## Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision- New Castle

**New Castle-** Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred Sunday afternoon, on North DuPont Highway (Route 13).

On Sunday, October 17, 2021, at approximately 1:48 p.m., a 2019 Mitsubishi Mirage was stopped southbound Route 13 in the left turn lane at the crossover to the on ramp of northbound I-295. At this time, a 2008 Nissan Altima was traveling northbound Route 13 in the left lane approaching the overpass of I-295. The Mitsubishi attempted to cross Route 13 and pulled directly into the path of the Altima. The Altima veered right in attempt to avoid the collision, but ultimately struck the passenger side of the Mitsubishi.

The 69-year-old female operator of the Mitsubishi was transported to Christiana Hospital for non-life threating injuries. The 57-year-old female front seat passenger of the Mitsubishi was transported to Christiana Hospital with critical injuries. On October 18, 2021, she succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced deceased. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

The 33-year-old female operator of the Altima was transported to Christiana Hospital for non-life threating injuries.

Northbound Route 13 was closed for approximately 2 hours while the crash was investigated, and the roadway cleared.

The investigation remains on-going. Anyone with information regarding this collision should contact Detective Forester with the Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-365-8485. Information may

also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <a href="http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com">http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com</a>.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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